



Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association
Annual General Meeting
March 8, 2025 – 10:30am
Milwaukee, WI

2025 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Amanda Seifert (Stateline District), Chris Yustus (Midway District), Dusty Rhodes (East Central District), Francisco de la Rosa (Southwest District), Jay DeBruin (Vice President), John Janasik (Metro District), Ken Ward (President), Kevin Wasco (Independent Director), Kyle Trimble (SYRA), Michael King (Kickers District), Parker Conover (MAYSA District), Shan Amini (Waukesha District), Susan Scott (Bavarian United), Heidi Elgersma (Beaver Dam United Soccer Club), Jason Seifert (Burlington United Soccer Club), Mila Halvorson (Chequamegon Bay Soccer Club), Michael Koch (Croatian Eagles Soccer Club), Heidi McKone (Eau Claire United Soccer Club), Nick Hahn (Elmbrook United), Wytse Molenaar (FC Green Bay), Andreas Davi (FC Milwaukee Torrent Wales SC), Chad Collett (Fond Du Lac Soccer Association), Marissa Sperger (Fox Cities United), Andrea Islas (Hartford United Soccer Club), Armando Martinez (Howard FC), Patrick McCarthy (Kiel Soccer Club), Matt Drago (Lake Country Football Club), Chris Lacey (Lakeshore United FC), Tony Wright (Madison 56ers Soccer Club), Rodrigo Hernandez (Magic Soccer Club), Andy Witt (McFarland Soccer Club), Marissa Anders (Monona Grove Soccer Club), Kristin Gage (Mount Horeb Youth Soccer Club), Sean Breitzman (Neenah Soccer Club), Adam Bergdahl (New Richmond Area Youth Soccer), Josh Haefs (North District Flyway Soccer Association), Melissa Kunz (North Shore United Soccer Club), Eric Anderson (Oregon Soccer Club), Matt Callahan (Oshkosh United Soccer Club), Sharon Pink (Platteville Power Soccer Club), Joshua Balde (Plymouth Soccer Club), Bonnie Stadler (Polonia Soccer Club), Kevin Scheibel (Port Washington Soccer Club), Katie Ewert (Portage County Youth Soccer), Nicholas Wentorf (Racine Area Soccer Club), Janet McClain (Regent Soccer Club), Matt Walters (River Surge FC), Jerri Prem (River Valley Soccer Association), Michael Clarquist (Rock SC RUSH), Vlatko Minic (RUSH Union Wisconsin), Vlatko Minic (RUSH WI Southeast), Scott Thesing (RUSH WI West), Jess Nash (RUSH Wisconsin), Aimee Amini (SC Wave), Phil Mattsson-Boze (Sonic Sport Club), NicoleMarie Hall (Stoughton Area Youth Soccer Association), Cesar Castillo (Street Dreams Soccer Academy), Jeff Jones (SYNERGY SC), Ryan DeBruin (Thunder Area Soccer Kids), Travis Begley (Tomah Youth Soccer Association), Eric Gebhard (United FC), Aleksandra Devic (United Serbian Youth SC), Heather Kuehn (Voyageurs FC), Linda Steffes (Water Cities Soccer Club), Paul Schlein (Waunakee Area Soccer Club), Megan Johnson (Wisconsin Rapids Kickers)

1. **Welcome**

- 1.1. **Call to Order** – WYSA President Ken Ward called the meeting to order at 10:32am.
- 1.2. **Moment of Silence** for our friends in soccer that we lost over the last year.
- 1.3. **Introductions** – Ken introduced the WYSA Board and Staff.



1.4. **Credentials Report** – roll call vote via Nemo. 54 clubs in attendance. Quorum is achieved.

2. **Approval of 2024 AGM Minutes & Board Actions** – Kevin Wasco (WYSA Independent Director) motions to approve the 2024 AGM Meeting Minutes, Chris Lacey (Lakeshore United) seconds. Without further discussion motion passes by majority vote.

Amanda Seifert (Stateline District) motions to approve Board Actions from 2024; Chad Collett (Fond du Lac Soccer Association) seconds. Without further discussion motion passes by majority vote.

3. **State of the State** -- Ken highlighted key items for WYSA membership:
- Ken thanked and recognized guests, vendors and partners at this year's AGM: Keeper Goals, TOPSoccer, Player's Health, PlayMetrics.
 - Membership was updated on the resignation of WYSA Treasurer, Conor Caloia.
 - ODP player successes were highlighted.
 - Referee initiatives – Wisconsin again saw a significant increase in the number of licensed officials largely thanks to WisRef commitment to more courses and instructors. WYSA continues to support referees with the RMRI program as well as reimbursement of registration fees for new referees. Clubs are reminded that US Soccer's new Referee Abuse Policy takes effect March 1, 2025.
 - Dan Pullen of Players Health presented a high-level overview of the insurance coverage WYSA clubs receive as a benefit of membership. He discussed what is covered, requirements of coverage, and other recommended policies for clubs to consider.
 - Adam Hayes from PlayMetrics addressed the membership and invited clubs to attend breakout sessions throughout the day as well as the afternoon social.
 - Roni Andrew, WYSA TOPSoccer Chair spoke about the TOPSoccer program and encouraged participation by all clubs across Wisconsin.

4. **New Business**

- 4.1. **2024/2025 Budget Review** – WYSA Ken Ward presented the proposed budget. Summary of fee increases is below:



2025/2026 Budget Summary of Fee Increases

Item	Increase	New Fee	Notes
Player Registration			
Pre-K	\$ 0.50	\$ 5.50	increased in 2024
Grassroots	\$ 0.50	\$ 8.00	increased in 2020
Competitive	\$ 1.25	\$ 22.00	increased in 2020
Leagues			
SECL Developmental	\$ 100.00	\$ 250.00	
Youth Academy	\$ 50.00	\$ 350.00	
Cups			
President's Cup			Necessary to keep up with rising cost of events. Standardize pricing across all age groups. Team fee includes increase to referee game fees.
13U & 14U	\$ 225.00	\$ 1,200.00	
15U & 16U	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,200.00	
17U, 18U, & 19U	\$ 125.00	\$ 1,200.00	
State Cup			Necessary to keep up with rising cost of events. Standardize pricing across all age groups. Team fee includes increase to referee game fees.
13U & 14U	\$ 325.00	\$ 1,300.00	
15U & 16U	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,300.00	
17U, 18U, & 19U	\$ 175.00	\$ 1,300.00	

Motion to approve the 2025/2026 made by Francisco de la Rosa (Southwest District); seconded by Tony Wright (Madison 56ers). No further discussion. The motion passes by majority vote.

- 4.2. **Elections** – The Chair, Ken Ward handed the meeting over to WYSA Vice Chair, Jay DeBruin.
 - 4.2.1. **Chair** – Ken Ward was the only nominee and was elected by member consent.
 - 4.2.2. **Secretary** – Chris Lay was the only nominee and was elected by member consent.

5. For the Good of the Game

2024 Award Winners --

- Administrator of the Year – Megan Ballweg (Waunakee Area Soccer)
- Volunteer of the Year – Dean Laufenberg (RUSH Wisconsin)
- Coach of the Year – Boys Competitive – Megan Johnson (Wisconsin Rapids Kickers)
- Coach of the Year – Boys Recreation – Kate Shortall (Village of Wales Torrent)
- Coach of the Year – Girls Competitive – Jeff Bohacek (Bavarian United)
- Coach of the Year – Girls Recreation – Janet McClain (Regent SC)
- Young Referee of the Year – Female – Peyton Schroeder (Madison Area)
- Young Referee of the Year – Male – Maddox Filter (La Crosse Area)



TOPSoccer Buddy of the Year – AJ Uhl (Howard Fire TOPSoccer)

TOPSoccer Coach of the Year – Rebecca Franklin (We are Boundless TOPSoccer)

AGM Break Out Sessions

Competitions Meeting

Playmetrics

Club Financials

Drawings

Attendance Grant

\$1,000 – Stoughton Area Youth Soccer Association

\$500 – Street Dreams

\$250 – Burlington

\$250 – United Serbian

Raffle prizes of items donated by partners.

Adjourned at 12:00pm.